



Materials Selection Policy

The Pleasanton Public Library provides access to materials in a variety of formats which meet the recreational, informational and cultural needs of the Pleasanton community. The Library provides dynamic collections of materials about a variety of subjects for users of all ages and levels of experience.

The Library staff are responsible for the selection of materials within the limitations of space within the library building and the availability of materials. Professional reviews and basic lists of standard works for public libraries are used in the selection of materials. Materials are selected which are appropriate to public libraries and meet the needs and interests of the Pleasanton community. Interlibrary loan service is also available to provide local library users with access to larger, more specialized collections.

The library does not endorse the beliefs or viewpoints of those whose works are represented in its collections, but recognizes that serious works which present an honest aspect of life or of some human problems are selected for their positive values and are not necessarily excluded for frankness of expression. The library selects materials which enable the citizen to form his or her own opinions. Therefore, it provides material, possibly argumentative, representing diverse points of view.

The Pleasanton Public Library is dedicated to a selection of materials of the highest quality, based upon principle rather than personal opinion, reason rather than prejudice, and judgment rather than censorship.